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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 1st December 2024

Malabar's Brides of India Festival offer till Dec. 8

Malabar Gold and Diamonds, the world's largest and most trusted jewellery, has launched the Brides of India Festival across all its showrooms in India on Nov. 14. During this special offer period, which will continue till Dec. 8, Malabar offers up to 25% off on making charge of gold jewellery, flat 25% off on marking charge of gemstone and uncut jewellery and up to 25% off on diamond value. Picture shows customers Rekha, Asritha and Prakruthi with South Zonal Head Sharafuddeen during the launch of Brides of India Festival at Malabar Store in Mysuru.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

VEGETABLE & EGO: ***Avoid vegetable markets if you take yourself and your college degrees too seriously. Or risk returning home not just with cabbage and*** *bhindi* ***but also a bruised ego. A vendor's ability to calculate the cost of your pumpkin or papaya when it weighs 543 gm or 879 gm while entertaining other customers, is enough to fill you with self-doubt.***

Conceit doesn't allow you to reach for your phone calculator. The tentative figure you arrive at while pretending to check other vegetables is usually much less. You wonder if he has pulled a fast one on you. When you gather the courage to question him, he proves his number right.

Now and then you are certain that the fruits he cherry-picked are rotten. He offers to cut one and, contrary to your imagination, it looks fresh. You don't trust your judgment any longer. Other buyers, who appear to be on your side when the argument begins, conveniently throw you under the bus.

Occasionally, you are smug that your smart bargaining has saved you a fortune. A few steps later you find better quality produce at a cheaper rate. On days, you haggle hard without success only to see someone buying large quantities without once checking the rate. The vendor adds insult to injury by describing that buyer as *acche gharki,* ***from a good home.***

You may pride yourself on keeping up-to-date with 'current affairs', but the info influencing veggie prices has passed you by. The vendor takes it upon himself to give you a primer on why the cauliflower you turned a blind eye to on your last visit has suddenly gone out of sight or reach. He does so in a loud voice using your embarrassment to amplify the message for others.

The vendor is always armed with one-liners, especially when dealing with couples. He knows how to play one spouse against another when he senses the slightest tension. He butters up the dominant spouse. His one-liners sound biting to one side and pleasing to the other. The family carries home at least two extra veggies.

Once in a blue moon, you want to be condescending to an odd vendor by insisting on paying a little extra. He doesn't let you indulge in that little ego trip with his take on *mehnat ki kamai,* ***hard-work earnings. He also ensures you won't ask for free*** *dhania* ***or*** *mirchi.*

—Milind Ghatwai in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

World's largest iced latte served in 11-foot-high cup

Massachusetts: Social media star Nick DiGiovanni teamed up with Dunkin' to break the Guinness World Record for the largest iced latte.

DiGiovanni, a chef and social media influencer with multiple Guinness World Records titles, filled an 11-foot-high Dunkin' cup with ice, milk and espresso to take on the record.

Guinness World Records confirmed the resulting 276-gallon beverage was the world's largest iced latte.

The massive latte was then portioned out into smaller cups and served to more than 300 employees at Dunkin's corporate office in Massachusetts.

Notes over roses!

Pakistan: A Pakistani groom received a unique 35-foot garland created with currency notes of different denominations from his brother in the country's Bhakkar area. To prepare the wedding accessory, the groom's brother used around 2,000 notes amounting to around PKR 1 lakh (roughly Rs. 30,000), The Daily Guardian reported.

It was crafted with 200 notes of PKR 75 and 1,700 of PKR 50 in the Kotla Jam area of Pakistan's Punjab region. The wedding gift became a subject of discussion after a video went viral on social media. The clip opens with a group of people carrying the garland at the venue. Besides the currency notes, it also included flowers and colourful ribbons. As the groom walked in, two people were seen cautiously placing the garland around his neck and then clicking photographs.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Prioritize Sleep:
Getting enough rest is vital for the immune system to repair and recover.

By Dr. Veeresh J - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

'Puthari' festival on Dec. 14

Madikeri, Dec. 1 (PS&BCT)-Kodagu's annual harvest festival, 'Puthari,' symbolising the first harvest of the paddy crop, will be celebrated on Dec. 14, coinciding with the auspicious *Rohini Nakshatra*.

The date of the festival was finalised last Friday at the Paadi Sri Igguthappa Temple in Kakkabe, following astrological guidance from astrologers in Ammangeri. Representatives from 13 families and temple office-bearers gathered to determine the festival's date and timings.

Astrologer Shashikumar, along with the Kaniyara Nanjappa family, based the decision on traditional astrological readings. Prayers were offered in the presence of Paradanda Subramani Kaverappa, and chief priests Kusha Bhatt and Jagadish performed the rituals, distributing *theertha prasada* after the meeting.

The celebration at Paadi Igguthappa Temple will begin with *Nere Kattuva* (tying the sheaf) ritual at 7.30 pm on Dec. 14, aligning with *Rohini Nakshatra*. This will be followed by the reaping of the season's first paddy (Kadiru) at 8.30 pm, and the distribution of *prasadam* at 9.30 pm.

For the public and households across Kodagu, the celebration timings are as follows: *Nere Kattuva* at 7.50 pm, followed by the reaping of paddy at 8.50 pm, and the feast at 9.50 pm.

'Puthari' is observed during the Kodava month of Birchiyar, which aligns with November and December in Gregorian calendar.

As a precursor to 'Puthari,' the Kalladcha Festival will take place at Paadi Igguthappa Temple on Dec. 13, in keeping with the district's long-standing traditions.

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Last year's level	Last year's level	Last year's level
97.30 feet	**2,273.78 feet**	**2,837.37 feet**
Yesterday's level	Yesterday's level	Yesterday's level
124.54 feet	**2,279.15 feet**	**2,836.38 feet**
Today's Inflow	Today's Inflow	Today's Inflow
4,390 cusecs	**676 cusecs**	**256 cusecs**
Today's Outflow	Today's Outflow	Today's Outflow
4,720 cusecs	**1000 cusecs**	**1,200 cusecs**

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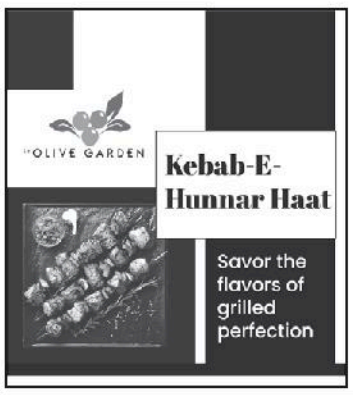

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MUDA 50:50 sites scam

MUDA meeting decides to take legal opinion for action against illegality

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (RK&BCT)- The site allocation scam in Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), involving the misappropriation of properties worth thousands of crores of rupees, dominated discussions at the MUDA Board meeting yesterday.

The meeting, chaired by Mysuru Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, who is also the MUDA Chairman, witnessed MLC A.H. Vishwanath raising concerns over the absence of a formal Police complaint regarding the misuse of properties.

Notably, *Star of Mysore* published a report yesterday titled 'MUDA 50:50 sites scam: No Police complaint yet; Officials, Legislators silent.'

Since 2020, several sites have been illegally allotted under the guise of the 50:50 scheme and other incentive schemes, bypassing approvals from the MUDA Board.

"The Lokayukta Police, Justice P.N. Desai Commission and the Enforcement Directorate (ED) are investigating the matter. Yet, MUDA has not filed a complaint with the Police, the Government or any other investigative body concerning the missing sites," Vishwanath pointed out.

His remarks were supported by MLAs Tanveer Sait and T.S. Srivatsa, who highlighted that sites worth crores were allocated without completing the land acquisition process or obtaining necessary approvals.

(See MUDA on page 9)

To Our Readers

*Turn to Page-4 for Abracadabra titled **"Rambling thoughts on three news items"** about Rahul Gandhi's Citizenship of India; return of Kashmiri Pandits and Sambhal Jama Masjid row. —**Ed***

MUDA site approved for Pulwama martyr's widow

SOM impact

Martyr H. Guru

Wife S. Kalavathi

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (RK&BCT)- The Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) has finally decided to allocate a residential site to S. Kalavathi, the widow of the 2019 Pulwama attack martyr H. Guru. The decision was made during the MUDA Board meeting yesterday.

Despite being a war widow, Kalavathi was previously denied the site and subjected to bureaucratic delays, forcing her to run from pillar to post since her application on Oct. 11, 2021.

On Aug. 5, 2024, *SOM* had highlighted her plight in a report titled 'MUDA denies site to Pulwama martyr's widow,' bringing the issue to public attention.

(See WIDOW on page 9)

Dream of mini airport takes flight in Kodagu

Land survey complete; process begins to hand over 140 acres in Kushalnagar

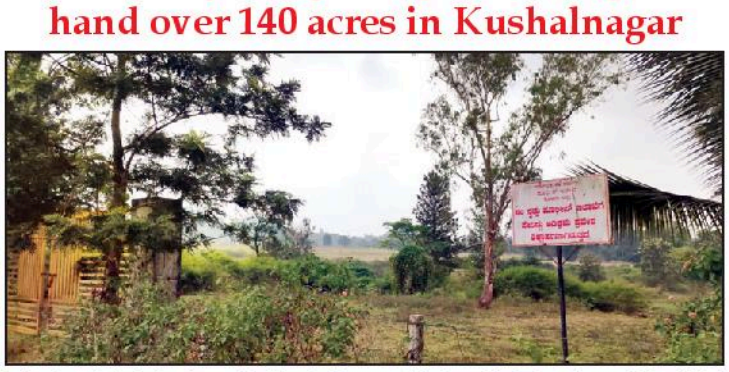
Kushalnagar, Dec. 1 (AG&BCT)- A year after the Karnataka Government proposed airstrips in Kodagu, Dharmasthala and Chikkamagaluru to boost tourism, industry and disaster management, plans for a mini airport in Kodagu's Kushalnagar taluk are finally taking shape.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah recently reaffirmed in a social media post the State Government's commitment to developing infrastructure projects, including the airstrip in Kodagu.

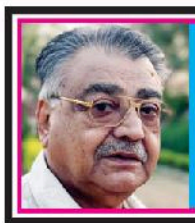
The Kodagu District Administration has identified 140 acres of Government land for the project, paving the way for its implementation.

The Karnataka State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation (KSIIDC) has been designated as the nodal agency to oversee the development of airstrips across Karnataka.

(See MINI AIRPORT on page 9)



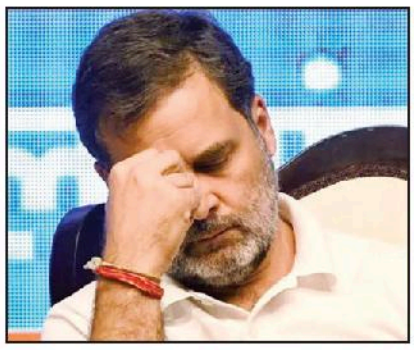
The land at Adanipura in Kushalnagar taluk which has been identified for the Kodagu mini airport. It is presently under the possession of the Police Department.



Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Rambling thoughts on three news items



Rahul Gandhi

File photo of protesting Kashmiri Pandits.

Violence at Sambhal Jama Masjid in UP.

During working years, one rarely finds time to read newspapers in depth. One generally browses the headlines and sets out to his place of work. However, when one retires, reading newspapers becomes his second nature. That was how a friend shared with me three news items he thought were important. **He said that the issues involved in them should be RESOLVED in the next four years because Prime Minister Narendra Modi is the only HOPE in the prevailing political and social ecosystem of our country.**

I told him the maxim that **"The mills of the Gods grind slowly, but they grind well."** Likewise, I told him, the wheels of the government move slowly but at the end grind well. So also the wheels of justice — they turn slowly but grind fine at the end. **At this, my friend snapped back: What happens when the wheels fall off and there is no justice? Ask T.V. Mohandas Pai, I said.**

Be that as it may, now let me turn my attention to the three news items my friend mentioned. One was about **Rahul Gandhi's Citizenship of India.** The second news item was about return of those **Kashmiri Pandits** who escaped terrorist persecution in 1990 by migrating to Jammu and other parts of the country — some are in Bengaluru too. The third was about **Sambhal Jama Masjid in Uttar Pradesh (UP).**

We have been reading about Rahul Gandhi's controversial Indian Citizenship since decades. It is an important question that must have been decided before Rahul Gandhi was allowed to contest the election. It is Constitutionally imperative that this question must be answered either by the Union Government or by the Court because he has now become the Leader of the Opposition (LoP) in the Lok Sabha, which means that a person with questionable citizenship is part of the Union Government.

For sure, ours is a Left-Liberal Democracy and a Soft Government and seems to be a lethargic government. Who knows, there must be some purpose for the delay in deciding the case one way or the other.

This is the later petition in the Lucknow High Court which has sought information from the Union Home Ministry regarding Rahul Gandhi's Citizenship. In an earlier petition, which was dismissed as withdrawn, the Karnataka resident, one S. Vignesh Shishir, claimed Rahul Gandhi holds British Citizenship and hence ineligible to contest the election. But Rahul Gandhi contested, won and has become the LoP. The issue seems to have become a *fait accompli.*

See the irony of it all. The petitioner had submitted two representations to the Union Home Ministry in this regard. But there was no response. So the petitioner has gone back to the same Court seeking CBI probe into the matter. And, of course, the Court has rightly sought information from the Union Government about action taken on petitioner Vignesh Shishir's representations.

How can we blame the Court when the Executive does not co-operate? This is Modi's fast-track administration!

Now let us meet the victims of the great EXODUS of Kashmiri Pandits. Those who know the political ethos of the Congress-led UPA Government understand why there was no progress in the resettlement of Kashmiri Pandits in their home and hearth.

But what about BJP led NDA government? Good 11 years passed after it came to power, but the diaspora of Kashmiri Pandits continues.

Now the news is that a group of Kashmiri Pandit families (remember women and growing children) has registered a Housing Society in Srinagar, an initiative to help themselves in nearly 35 years of the exodus.

Both the LoP and the Prime Minister must pore over the much touted and discussed amended Preamble of our Constitution. And also about the fundamental rights to life, liberty and property. Either give back unto the Kashmiri Pandits in diaspora their land and home or bring about another amendment to the Preamble and remove the words Secularism and Socialism which have become redundant in the present political ecosystem. I wish for a third Pan-National Political Party on the ideology and thoughts of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. Then we will have three Pan-India Political Parties — **1.** Based on the ideology of Nehru. **2.** Based on the ideology of Dr. Keshav Baliram Hedgewar and **3.** Based on the ideology of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

This should take us to the third news. It is about Sambhal Jama Masjid in UP. The violence, arson and killings are now the stuff of Court cases. This makes me wonder if the Muslim invaders demolished maximum number of Hindu temples only in UP — United Province during days of Raj and rule by Nawabs as feudatories during Mughal era. We have crossed the mark of three generations after partition of our country between Muslims and non-Muslims. But Hindus are not able to reclaim their lost heritage and temples. One reason was absence of support from the ruling Congress Government, rather it resisted any claim from Hindus.

Now a pro-Hindu BJP Government is ruling and the Hindus have made themselves bold to lay claim on their lost temples. They got Ayodhya, now they are claiming Shri Hari Har Temple at Sambhal, UP. Once again the first Mughal Emperor Babar's name appears in connection with this mosque and blood has already been spilled.

When we look at the unfolding of events in connection with the Hindu claims over their ancient temples built centuries before Mughals conquered parts of India, the future does not seem to augur well for a peaceful social order in UP and other parts of India. Look at the list — Kashi and Mathura and now Sambhal. One more is brewing in Ajmer's Dargah. Not to be left behind, last evening I saw on Kannada TV the controversy about a mosque in Srirangapatna.

No. This cannot go on and on. The Union Government may take a cue from the South African model to resolve this kind of problems created by past history. The South African Government **set up a "Truth and Reconciliation Commission" (TRC) to uncover the truth and then negotiate reconciliation.** In India too we should, in a similar manner, negotiate reconciliation between the two rival groups — Hindus and Muslims. Yes, this requires political will and joint leadership.

Let Truth Triumph and Peace Prevail.

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Do not know how many days Siddaramaiah will be CM: B.R. Patil

B.R. Patil

Hubballi, Dec. 1- Even as speculations are doing the rounds on change of leadership in the State, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's Advisor and senior Congress MLA B.R. Patil has expressed apprehension on Siddaramaiah continuing in office for full five years.

Speaking to press persons in Hubballi on Friday, B.R. Patil said, it is the wish of every Congressman that Siddaramaiah continues as the CM for full 5 years. But it is uncertain whether he would complete his term, he said adding that he cannot say anything on the Party High Command's decision.

Asserting that the High Command may assign a higher responsibility to Siddaramaiah, he however, said no Congress MLA wants a change of leadership as the CM is doing a wonderful job for the welfare of the poor.

He further said that the CM has made necessary budgetary allocation for implementation of Guarantee Schemes and there need not be any apprehensions about funding. There is no question of stopping the Guarantees as it has been a lot of help for the poor, he added.

No Cabinet expansion or reshuffle

With speculations going on the possibility of a Cabinet expansion or reshuffle, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and his Deputy D.K. Shivakumar have categorically said that neither there would be a Cabinet expansion nor a reshuffle for now.

Speaking to press persons separately after meeting AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge and Opposition Leader in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi in the National Capital on Friday, both Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar said it is the media which has created the speculations.

Asserting that no talks were held either on Cabinet expansion or reshuffle, they said, however, it is almost certain that former Minister B. Nagendra who quit over Valmiki Development Corporation scam, will be re-inducted into the Cabinet, but not for now.

Hassan rally

Commenting on the Dec.5 mega Hassan rally (Swabhimani Samavesha), Siddaramaiah clarified that the rally is being organised jointly by the Congress party and Backward Classes organisations.

He said that, he had no knowledge about an anonymous letter written to the Congress High Command objecting to the rally.

VOICE OF THE READER

Golden Tower for Chamundeshwari:

Welcome suggestion

Sir,

This refers to the letter titled ***"Instead of Golden Chariot, why not a Golden Tower for Goddess Chamundeshwari at Hill Temple?"*** in *Star of Mysore* dated Nov. 26 by K.B. Ganapathy.

I thought the suggestion of having a Golden Tower for Goddess Chamundeshwari was a great idea. Views on this point are very welcome. I quite liked the statement, "Being a female, (she) would be thrilled to have a jewel of this kind to exhibit her glory." Worshippers of the Goddess may find that line touching.

I hope the proposal will be accepted and implemented by the Hill Temple Authority.

—Shanti Ganapathy
Mysuru
27.11.2024

District-level Yuvajanotsava in Mysuru on Dec. 4

DYES Assistant Director Bhaskar Nayak** (centre) **addressing media persons at Chamundi Vihar Stadium in city yesterday. He is flanked by Nehru Yuva Kendra District Youth Officer Abhishek Savare** (left) **and University of Mysore NSS Programme Co-ordinator M.B. Suresh.

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (MTY&VNS)- The Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES), in association with District Administration, Zilla Panchayat (ZP), Nehru Yuva Kendra, National Service Scheme (NSS), University of Mysore (UoM), Maharani's Science College for Women, Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology (KSCST), will be organising a one-day District-level Yuvajanotsava - 2024 at Chamundi Vihar Stadium here on Dec. 4 from 9 am onwards.

Announcing this to media persons here yesterday, DYES Assistant Director Bhaskar Nayak said that the competitions will be held in 11 categories including Folk Dance (Group), Folk Dance (Individual), Folk Song (Group), Folk Song (Individual), Poetry Writing (not exceeding 1,000 words), Story Writing (not exceeding 1000 words), Painting (A3 size - 11.7 inches x 16.5 inches), Declamation Writing (Hindi and English language to take part in National-level Yuvajantosava; Kannada to take part in State-level Yuvajanotsava, 3 mins), Handicrafts (for artisans to contest in Yuva Kirthi), Textile and Agro Products.

Those taking part must be within the age group of 15-29 years as on Jan. 1, 2025 and must produce age proof at the time of registration. Winners in District-level will be representing in the State-level Yuvajanotsava.

The winners in the competitions to be held on Dec. 4 will be awarded with cash prizes, certificates and mementoes.

Bhaskar Nayak also mentioned that the Department was expecting about 1,000 participants and added that a total of 87 Colleges and 27 Schools in the district had been requested to send their students for the competitions.

He said that last year's competition had witnessed a total of 456 students in District-level Yuvajanotsava.

Science Exhibition

DYES will also be organising a Science Exhibition for students on Dec. 4 at Chamundi Vihar Stadium.

The competition will be held in individual and team categories. Those taking part must showcase live models under the theme 'Innovation in Science and Technology.' A maximum 10 members are allowed in a team.

Nehru Yuva Kendra District Youth Officer Abhishek Savare and University of Mysore NSS Programme Co-ordinator M.B. Suresh were present.

A Space Lab in Namma Mysuru

'Padma Shri' Dr. Kiran Kumar

By our Science Reporter

Have you ever been fascinated by space? Have you ever dreamt about learning about space in your school days in a state-of-the-art laboratory? Nypunya School of Excellence has turned this dream into reality for its students! In partnership with NAVARS Edutech, Nypunya School of Excellence is launching Space Lab, on Dec. 3 (Tuesday) at its Dattagalli campus.

It will be inaugurated by Dr.A.S. Kiran Kumar, *Padma Shri* awardee, former Chairman of ISRO.

The lab features' various equipment such as telescopes, working models of rockets, rovers, satellites and orrery models which allow the students to learn the important concepts of space and space exploration through hands on methods.

Background of Space Science

Our ancestors used to look up at the sky, observe and note down their findings. Using constellations, human civilisation learnt to navigate. Using the changing position of stars and the corresponding rise and fall of temperatures, they learnt about seasons. With the knowledge of seasons, it became easier to predict rainfall patterns which led to civilisations centred around agriculture, resulting in improved food security, making civilisations larger than was previously possible.

Studying about space and astronomy was hence instrumental in the formation of large human societies itself. The seasons were also directly linked with the availability of water, making humans learn to store water during the rainy season for use during the dry seasons hence reducing nomadic behaviour, leading to the formation of cities and towns.

While this was all in the past, astronomy continues to remain highly relevant in today's world. The Global Positioning System (GPS) which exists in every smart-phone in the world works using signals from multiple satellites. These systems are so sensitive that in designing them, we need to account for the difference in the gravitational pull of the Earth on its surface, and in the orbit of the satellites. Despite astronomy being integral to the functioning of human activities, it is a topic ignored in most schools. Nypunya School of Excellence, is the only school in Mysuru with a Space Lab and a comprehensive structured syllabus.

Designed to bridge the gap between classroom learning and advanced space technology, the Space Lab is set to be a hub of innovation and exploration, providing students hands-on scientific activities and research.

Students, educators and the public are invited to be part of this ground-breaking event and witness the dawn of a transformative chapter in Mysuru's educational landscape.

SBS-MKU Genomics Award for Dr. Shobith Rangappa

Dr. Shobith Rangappa** (second from left) **receiving 'SBS-MKU Genomics Award' at a ceremony in Pune recently.

Mysuru, Dec. 1- Dr. Shobith Rangappa, Director of Cancer Research Institute, Adichunchanagiri University, Nagamangala in Mandya district, has been conferred 'SBS-MKU Genomics Award' for the year 2023, for his contribution to Applied and Systematic Biology, by Biotech Research Society of India.

The Award carries a cash prize, memento and certificate. The award presentation ceremony was held in the presence of Prof. (retd.) T.P. Singh from All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi and other scientists, at Dr. D.Y. Patil Biotechnology and Bioinformatics Institute, Pune, recently.

Dr. Shobith has so far published 100 research papers and holds eight patents in Cancer Research.

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9th Edition of Mysuru Children's Literature Festival

Children take charge of stalls; display managerial skills

Winners of Inter-School General Knowledge Competition are seen with** (from left) **Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs-2015 Founder-Chairperson and Director Shubha Sanjay Urs, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar and renowned sculptor Arun Yogiraj.

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (MK&VNS)- Children from various schools in the city exhibited their literary skills at ninth edition of Mysuru Children's Literature Festival – 2024 jointly organised by Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs – 2015 at Wind Chimes, Nazarbad yesterday.

Children, who managed the entire festival by hosting and running the stalls, displayed the managerial skills they had developed.

Listening to the stories rendered by writers Shama Thakare and Sharon Dev of Mumbai, Sreevalli Sreenivasan of Chennai, Ramya Srinidhi and Shreya Narayanan of Bengaluru and Anupama K. Benchinamardi and Ghanesh Venkatesh, the children slipped to their imaginary world. They also enjoyed the story on butterflies by Arun Urs and Namratha Urs and the story rendered by Chandini Chabra.

The kids were also mesmerised watching the live illustrations by artists Vanya Joseph and Senthil, dance and storytelling by Dr. Nima Manjrekar, Pooja Tosniwal and Roopa Shivaprakash and performance by ventriloquist Suma Rajkumar.

Building a bright future

Earlier, inaugurating the Mysuru Children's Literature Festival, renowned sculptor Arun Yogiraj said stories, especially those related to our ancestors, were a great inspiration to build a bright future apart from teaching to open for learning throughout our lives.

Speaking on the occasion, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, who was the chief guest, highlighted the need to cultivate the habit of reading among children. "In the present day, there are many factors through which people get distracted but it is only the books that help increase the level of concentration," she added.

"We grow up listening to stories. There are times when we imagine a story with us being the protagonists. The world of stories is fascinating and there is a need to get connected deeply with the world of stories. It is also important to read a book every month and learn a new word every day to cultivate a disciplined life," said Seema Latkar.

During the valedictory ceremony, prizes were distributed to the winners of the Inter-School General Knowledge competition and short-story writing contest by Arun Yogiraj and Seema Latkar.

Shubha Sanjay Urs, Founder-Chairperson and Director, Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs-2015 and others were present.

Inspiring children to think about coexisting with nature

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar releasing Sreevalli Sreenivasan's book** 'Let the Elephants Bee' **as the author and Shubha Sanjay Urs look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (BCT)- Speaking to *Star of Mysore* about the festival, debut author Sreevalli Sreenivasan, whose book 'Let the Elephants Bee' was officially released on the occasion, described her experience as phenomenal. She shared how engaging with children on the topic of environmental conservation left a lasting impression.

"I began my session by asking the children why elephants are important and received a range of responses, from their ability to carry weights to being helpful in various ways," she said.

"I concluded by presenting a solution to the human-elephant conflict and encouraged them to brainstorm solutions for human-leopard and human-tiger conflicts. Their responses, such as using dogs and protecting forest land, were heartening. As a debut author, this was a big victory — inspiring children to think about coexisting with nature."

Sreevalli shared two inspirational moments from the event. The first was her interaction with an estate owner from Hassan. "She shared her experience of trying low-voltage electric fences to deter elephants, which proved ineffective in the long run. By the end of our conversation, she revealed that she would explore installing beehive fences to keep elephants at bay," Sreevalli said.

The second moment involved a grandmother who approached her with her grandson. "She told me that I had inspired him to think and write about conservation," she added.

Cake Mixing Ceremony held at Jalmahal Resort and Spa

Jalmahal Resort and Spa Managing Director Chandrashekar, along with General Manager Arun Prasad, Executive Chef and special guest Charles and Ganesh and others taking part in the cake mixing ceremony to start the holiday season with joy and tradition at the resort premises in city recently.

Chunchanakatte Jalapathotsava to end today

The two-day Chunchanakatte Jalapathotsava at K.R. Nagar in Mysuru district which began yesterday will draw to a close today. River Cauvery drops from the height of about 20 metres and flows amidst the rocky terrain making it an attractive tourist destination. Tourists, who visited the Chunchanakatte yesterday, enjoyed the flow of River Cauvery amidst attractive lighting decorations.

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Over a cup of evening Tea

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

The joy of reading, the right book!

Last Tuesday, an elderly gentleman walked into my consulting room and introduced himself as **Suryanarayana Rao,** a retired engineer, who had served in many States, across the country.

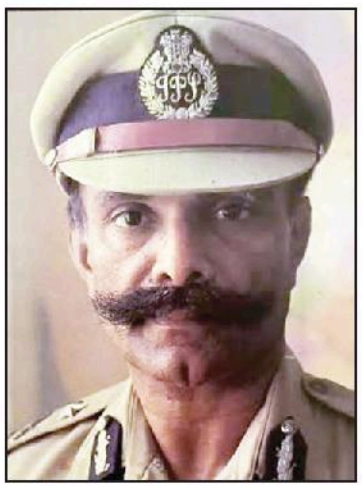
He said that he was a full ninety-two years old but to me he seemed only to be a full seventy-two at the most, going by the energy and enthusiasm his smile radiated and the erect and upright carriage with which he strode into my room, like a soldier, still in service.

He very eagerly extended his hand but I very politely refused to shake it, excusing myself by saying that a doctor was not the best of persons to shake hands with, especially while he was at his work. But I assured him that we would certainly shake hands every time we met, if we happened to meet anytime, at any other place, in the future.

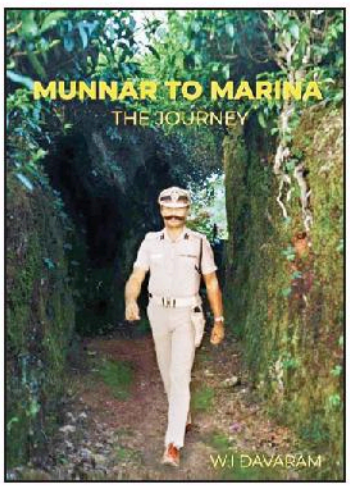
To this he said that he was not at all apprehensive about catching an infection from me because in the past fifty years, he never once had any occasion to see any doctor for treatment of any ailment, major or minor. But he said that once before those fifty years of good health, he had needed a doctor's help just once, when he was bitten by a stray dog, as he was riding to work, on his motorcycle.

That was when I reassured him that the consequences of being bitten by stray dogs were no longer as painful as they had been in the days when he was bitten. I explained to him that unlike in the distant past, when a victim of dog bite had to receive a full course of fourteen, very painful injections around the navel, dog bite victims, even when badly bitten, could now be managed with exactly half the number of injections, which were almost painless!

Here I would like to digress a little from my narration and clarify that when I talk of injections being painless in the present era, I'm only talking of all others to whom I prescribe them. When it comes to myself taking any injection, however trivial, I am a real dodger. That is why I always used to dread the mandatory cholera vaccinations that used to be administered to us in our school days, with the onset of the summer months, just before our exams were due. That is how scared I am of being at the wrong end of the hypodermic needle.



The Super Cop: ***W.I Davaram***



Cover page of the book

My dentist friend, Dr. H.P. Jaishankar, will be able to throw more light on what a brave man I am, whenever I have the occasional misfortune to sit in his chair!

Now, my visitor after introducing himself, said that the reason why he was before me was not to seek any treatment but only to tell me that like the way I had written about my love for books in my column last Sunday, he wanted me to write more regularly about some of the books I read. He clarified that as a book-loving pensioner he and my other readers would then be guided by my reviews to buy only the best books, without wasting money on the mediocre ones.

Now let me tell you here that he was not the first person who was requesting me to write reviews about books. Many of my readers have expressed similar sentiments, on many occasions and I am now beginning to think that I must heed this advice.

Here I am reminded about a plaque that was displayed in **Newspaper House,** which was once one of my favourite bookshops in our city, standing at the northern end of Lansdowne Building and which was owned and run by **Lakkur Raja Rao** and his two sons, Sridhar and Krishna. The plaque said: **'Do not read good books. Life is too short for that. So, read only the best'!**

Although it was a most sensible bit of advice to any book lover, with which I too was much impressed, I must admit that I have not followed it in my eagerness to read every interesting looking book I could lay my hands on**. I have written in the past too, about my visits to this tiny bookshop as a school boy and my frequent meetings with the writer, R.K. Narayan there. The two of us would talk at length about his books and their characters, with him seated on a low wooden stool and with me seated on a bundle of newspapers or magazines.**

Raja Rao would always order a 'one by two' hot Badam Milk for the two of us from Phalamrutha, the juice shop next door, which we would share. Interestingly, the Badam Milk would arrive only when Narayan arrived there and not on the other days and so I would always go to that bookshop with a prayer that he too should be there!

Starting in earnest and acceding to the requests of my most recent visitor and others like him, I am now writing about a book which I am reading right now. It is the memoir of **Walter Issac Davaram,** the well-known, formidable Super Cop who served in the Tamil Nadu cadre. It is interesting to note that a great many former Police Officers have taken to writing their memoirs these days and a good many of them make some very interesting reading too.

Two recent notable ones who served in our State and wrote about their lives are late **A.P. Durai,** who has written, ***In Pursuit of Law and Order*** and the other is **K. Annamalai,** who has written, ***Stepping beyond Khaki.***

In his book, ***Munnar to Marina***, Davaram traces his journey from the tea gardens, nestled in the high ranges of the Western Ghats, to the Office of the State's highest-ranking Police Officer in Chennai on the Marina Coast. The most notable post he held was perhaps of the Chief of the Joint Task Force constituted by the two States of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu to rein in Veerappan, the most dreaded bandit.

The book is a very candid and enjoyable account of the man's daredevil exploits narrated in his own informal style. Additionally, it throws much light on the origins of tea planting in Munnar and the fast-track transformation that the region has been seeing over the recent past, with the rampant growth of tourism there.

Like any other school boy drawn away from his village, he with sad nostalgia, takes the reader on a tour of the favourite spots he loved as a child before embarking of an account of the unusual incidents he witnessed and handled as a Police Officer.

On the whole, the fairly hefty, five-hundred-page tome is a very enjoyable read and it is hard to put it down once you start reading it. Despite being the very slow reader that I am, I finished it in just three days.

The book has a foreword penned by another high-ranking Police Officer, who once served under Davaram. I felt that the humble man who introduces the hero of the book, has painted his boss in the vibrant hues of a giant cinema hoarding. Davaram would have been what he is, and just as tall and impressive, even without this rather flowery introduction.

But there are always some inevitable problems, whenever a subordinate is asked to pen a tribute to his boss. The ink, invariably becomes a little too colourful!

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Foundation Day at AnSI tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 1- **Anthropological Survey of India (AnSI),** Ministry of Culture, Government of India, will be celebrating its 80th Foundation Day at its Southern Regional Centre in Bogadi, Mysuru, tomorrow (Dec. 2) from 11.30 am onwards.

Prof. P.K. Mishra, former Professor, North Eastern Hill University, Shillong and Prof. C.G. Hussain Khan, former Chairman, DoS in Anthropology & former Syndicate Member, Karnatak University, Dharwad, will be the chief guests.

Dr. Harashawaradhana, Deputy Director and Head of Office, AnSI, Mysuru, said that an Exhibition of Museum artefacts is organised as part of the event.

Cultural performances have been arranged from 3 pm onwards by distinguished artistes from Mysuru — Kathak (Lucknow Gharana) by Mitali Ghosh and her disciples from Jhankar Nritya Sikshayatan; 'Nritya Namana' - Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Arathi Arun and her disciples from Shri Ganesha Sangeetha Nrithyalaya. Also there will be singing and dance performances by in-house artistes.

AnSI was established in 1945 with Dr. Biraja Sankar Guha as Director and Verrier Elwin as Dy. Director. AnSI holds a unique position as the sole research organisation dedicated to anthropological studies within a Governmental framework.

Embarking on its motto, 'न मनुष्यात श्रेष्ठतरम हि किंचित' sourced from a verse in *Mahabharata* which literally translates to 'There is no creation higher than the human being,' AnSI endeavours to study human being in its totality. AnSI champions a holistic and multi-disciplinary approach, encompassing both social, cultural and biological domain.

Free Skill Training

Mysuru, Dec. 1- Rural Development and Self Employment Training Institute (RUDSETI), Mysuru, will be conducting the following Skill Training at its premises in Hinkal, Mysuru:

Photography & Videography from Dec. 10 to Jan. 8; Cell Phone Repairs & Services: Dec. 12 to Jan. 10; Computerised Accounting: Dec. 16 to Jan. 14.

All the programmes are free of cost including boarding and lodging. Candidates aged between 18 to 45 years, who can read and write in Kannada, are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to rural BPL candidates.

Interested may submit an application with phone number, photocopies of Aadhaar card and Ration card. Candidates will be selected based on direct interview. For details, call Ph: 0821-2519663 or 97404-30061.

MUDA decides to take legal opinion

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They (MLAs Tanveer Sait and T.S. Srivatsa) alleged that former MUDA Commissioners authorised these allotments by bypassing regulations, which led to the current situation.

Vishwanath emphasised that early intervention or complaints against those responsible could have safeguarded MUDA's assets.

Protecting MUDA honour

Interrupting, MLA K. Harishgowda argued that filing a complaint now might tarnish MUDA's reputation. However, Vishwanath countered, stating, "If a small item is stolen from our house, we discuss it seriously and may file a Police complaint. Here, thousands of sites worth crores of rupees have been illegally sold. Shouldn't we file a complaint? Is protecting MUDA's respect more important than recovering its assets?"

Harishgowda admitted that exact number of sites allocated under 50:50 scheme remains unclear, making it challenging to differentiate between legal and illegal allotments. "In the last meeting, I obtained data on 4,000 sites. Now, it has increased. A detailed discussion is scheduled for next meeting. There's no doubt a scam has occurred and those responsible must be held accountable," he said.

Impartial probe

MLA Tanveer Sait reiterated his call for action against those who facilitated illegal site allocations. He emphasised that decisions made at MUDA meetings should have been submitted to the Government for approval before allotments, but this procedure was not followed.

"An impartial investigation into the 50:50 scheme sites allocation scam is essential and the culprits must face justice," Sait stated.

After an extensive discussion, DC Lakshmikanth Reddy assured attendees that legal opinions and advice would be sought to determine the next steps.

MUDA Board approves 344 subjects including plan approval

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (RK&BCT)- The MUDA Board meeting held yesterday approved 344 issues, including plan approvals and site releases for new private layouts.

The meeting saw extensive discussions, with nearly all the presented issues receiving approval except for four.

Notably, around 300 new private layout plans were approved, and the CD list of developed private layouts was released. Additional topics included the transfer of layouts under MUDA's jurisdiction to respective Local Bodies.

The Board also approved the allotment of MUDA sites to the families of five soldiers who lost their lives in the line of duty. It was decided that MUDA would collect revenue from layouts only until they were officially transferred. Once transferred, Local Bodies will assume responsibility for revenue and tax collection from these properties.

The meeting underscored that MUDA's primary focus should remain on approving layouts and overseeing development activities, avoiding involvement in providing other services.

Files related to Civic Amenities (CA) sites for private organisations will be reviewed and presented in the next Board meeting. Members suggested assessing the organisations' activities, financial transactions and societal contributions before approving CA sites.

The Board also emphasised the need to strengthen MUDA's administration to enhance public services, reduce unnecessary expenses, prioritise revenue generation and ensure financial stability.

Attention was drawn to the transfer of private layouts to Local Bodies, cautioning that such transfers could become a burden. MUDA must ensure that developed layouts are handed over to Local Bodies for the maintenance of roads, water supply, drainage, streetlights and cleanliness.

DC Lakshmikanth Reddy reiterated that MUDA's role should remain confined to layout approvals and development, leaving revenue and tax collection to Local Bodies.

The meeting was attended by MLAs G.T. Devegowda, Ramesh Babu Bandisiddegowda, MLCs C.N. Manjegowda, Dinesh Gooligowda, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, MUDA Commissioner A.N. Raghunandan, Secretary Prasanna Kumar, Superintendent Engineer Muralidhar and other Board members.

Site approved for martyr's widow

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During the meeting, MUDA Commissioner A.N. Raghunandan stated that Kalavathi, widow of CRPF soldier H. Guru (No. 115050445), had submitted her application for a site as per rules.

Guru, a member of the CRPF 82 Battalion, was martyred on Feb. 14, 2019, in a terrorist IED blast in Pulwama, Kashmir. In recognition of his sacrifice, the Kendriya Sainik Board, Bengaluru, recommended a free site for Kalavathi, a resident of Maddur taluk in Mandya and a native of a village near Kanakapura, to build a home.

Following this recommendation, Kalavathi applied for a MUDA site. Despite repeated visits and letters to MUDA, officials failed to act on her request. She wrote to the MUDA Commissioner on Oct. 11, 2021, June 6, 2022 and June 29, 2022, attaching all necessary documents and urging for a resolution, but received no response.

This neglect violated a 2000 Government order mandating Urban Development Authorities to allocate free sites to dependents of soldiers who die in service.

On Jan. 29, 2020, Brigadier (retd.) Ravi Muniswamy, Director of the Kendriya Sainik Board, Bengaluru, wrote to the MUDA Commissioner, urging him to honour Kalavathi's request and provide a free site. The letter sought a response on the action taken, but Kalavathi's application remained unresolved.

After several follow-ups, on July 13, 2022, the Zone 4 Special Tahsildar asked Kalavathi to submit detailed documents, including Guru's pension records, service details, death certificate, proof of residence, an affidavit confirming she owned no other site and her Aadhaar card. Kalavathi complied with all requirements.

On Oct. 31, 2022, the Zone 4 Special Tahsildar recorded in the file that Kalavathi's application would be prioritised in the next site allocation. However, the promised allocation never materialised.

Now finally, Kalavathi will get a residential site in Mysuru as she does not possess any other site.

Dream of mini airport takes flight in Kodagu

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Land identified after initial hurdles

The original proposal targeted a 49.5-acre site near Sainik School, Kushalnagar, in Doddathoor village, bordering Basavanathoor. It included a 950-metre runway, terminal, security post, and fencing. However, the Airports Authority of India (AAI) deemed the land inadequate during an inspection, prompting a re-survey.

Subsequently, the District Administration identified 106 acres of unused land previously allocated to the Police Department for Arms and Police Training School at Adanipura near Hebbale Chikkaaluvara. An additional 34-acre adjacent Government land was also added, bringing the total to 140 acres.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Kodagu DC Venkat Raja confirmed that the land transfer process is well underway.

"The unused 106-acre Police Department land has been reallocated to KSIIDC (Karnataka State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation) and alternative land can be provided to the Police Department for the training facility in case of future requirement," he said and added that the airport is a priority and the formal RTC transfer request has been sent to the Revenue Department.

Future expansion feasible

The identified 140-acre site, shaped like an 'L,' is ideal for more than 1,000-metre runway and supporting infrastructure. If future expansion is needed, adjacent forest land could be acquired.

A minimum runway length of 1,200 meters and a width of 150 meters is essential to accommodate the landing of a 20-seater airplane. Additionally, the airstrip project requires a total of 140 acres of land for its complete infrastructure and operations.

Madhu, the Head of the Department (HoD) at the KSIIDC overseeing aviation infrastructure, acknowledged the earlier challenges in finding suitable land in Kodagu. "Uneven terrain and surrounding hills made previous sites unviable. The newly identified flat land meets our requirements and we are ready to begin project implementation," he said.

Madhu confirmed that a technical team will conduct a site survey soon, followed by the preparation of a Detailed Project Report (DPR) once the land is formally transferred.

Kushalnagar Tahsildar Kiran Gowraiah and his team played a crucial role in identifying the site. The process began a year ago and has steadily progressed. Now, the Revenue Department has to secure a No Objection Certificate (NOC) for the 106-acre transfer from the Police Department to KSIIDC and all necessary documents have been submitted in this regard.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is intending to purchase the schedule property, from its owner Mr. S.R. Rajagopal, Mrs. Usha Mani, Mr. Supreeth. S.R., Mr. S.R. Jagadeesh and Mr. S.R. Suresh, who have got the schedule property through registered Partition deed dated 09.02.2024 among their family members, the schedule property has fallen to the share of Mr. S.R. Rajagopal, Mrs. Usha Mani, Mr. Supreeth.S.R. Mr. S.R. Jagadeesh, and Mr. S. R. Suresh,, thereby they have acquired absolute right over the schedule property.

Any person/s, whosoever asserting any right, title, interest or claim in the said schedule property objecting to sale of the schedule property should write with documents to the undersigned within 7 days from the issuance of this Public Notice, thereafter my client shall proceed to purchase the schedule property.

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Pro-Kannada outfits must support Govt: District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa and Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda lighting the lamp to inaugurate 'Kannadambe Habba' and 'Kannadambe Ratna' award distribution ceremony, organised as part of Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations at Santhemala Ground, Hootagalli in city yesterday as others look on.

Mysuru, Dec.1 (SPN&BS)- Social Welfare and District Incharge Minister Dr.H.C. Mahadevappa has appealed to pro-Kannada organisations to stand with the Government, with regard to the issues related to land, water and language.

He was addressing the gathering after inaugurating 'Kannadambe Habba' and 'Kannadambe Ratna' awards distribution ceremony, organised by Kannadambe Rakshana Vedike, as part of 69th Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations, at Santhemala Ground, Hootagalli in city yesterday.

Asserting that, the Government led by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is committed for the cause of Kannada, Dr. Mahadevappa said, Vishala Karnataka dawned due to the movement of our elders. Karnataka also has contributed for the development of the country, he added.

Kannada is the administrative language and it is indeed laudable that, Kannadambe Rakshana Vedike led by its State President B.B. Rajashekar, is felicitating several achievers, who strove for the cause of Kannada land, language and culture.

BJP leader V. Kaveesh Gowda said, it is a good sign that several Multi-National Companies (MNCs) are setting up their office in city, but they are reluctant to recruit local candidates. To address the gap, a law should be introduced to mandate 80 percent jobs for local candidates. However, it is a matter of regret that the pro-Kannada organisations are still hitting the streets to fight for the cause of Kannada.

MLA G.T. Devegowda said, "It is inevitable for Kannadigas to learn English and several other languages for professional and communication purposes. But, don't ignore Kannada."

Kannadambe Award was presented to Dr. Nataraju Shetty of Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, senior journalist Raghavendra, Orthopaedicians Dr. Gowtham, India Book of Record holder Vihika and pro-Kannada activist Manjunath.

MLA K. Harishgowda, former Zilla Panchayat President Koorgalli Mahadev, farmer leader Chandan Gowda, leaders S. Ravi, T. Suresh (Gold), Shivanna and others were present.

Crocodile sighted in Kukkarahalli Lake

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (MK&VNS)- The morning walkers at Kukkarahalli Lake in city were in for a shock as they spotted a huge crocodile near the fishermen's shed close to Hunsur Main Road yesterday between 8.30 am and 9.30 am.

The photograph of the crocodile was captured by amateur photographer K.U. Varghese. As soon as the news about the crocodile spread, people rushed to spot to have a glimpse of the giant reptile. This is not the first time that a crocodile has been sighted in Kukkarahalli Lake.

Many walkers have previously reported about sighting the crocodile. However, with the sighting of the crocodile, it has now been confirmed about its presence in the Lake. People have been advised not get closer to the water.

The crocodile sighted in Kukkarahalli Lake belongs to a species known as 'Crocodylus Palustris' commonly known as the Mugger Crocodile or Marsh Crocodile.

Its habitat expands from southern Iran to the Indian Sub-Continent and lives in marshy place, lakes, rivers and artificial ponds. It rarely reaches a body length of 5 mts (16.5 ft) and is a powerful swimmer, but also walks on land in search of suitable water bodies during the hot season.

Both young and adult mugger crocodiles dig burrows to which they retreat when the ambient temperature drops below five degrees Celsius or exceeds 38 degrees Celsius. Females dig holes in the sand as nesting sites and lay up to 46 eggs during the dry season. The sex of hatchling depends on temperature during incubation.

Samithi stages postcard campaign over irregularities in KSOU

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (GA&KS)- Alleging irregularities including unnecessary appointments at Karnataka State Open University (KSOU), members of Devaraj Urs Prathime Prathistapana Samithi yesterday stage a postcard campaign by posting the postcards to the Chief Minister at the post box in front of Mysuru City Corporation main Office in city yesterday.

Speaking at the protest, Samithi President Zakir Hussain said that KSOU Registrar Prof. K.B. Praveen, when he was serving as the Registrar (Evaluation) at the University of Mysore had prepared the question paper for the first semester Education course during which he had committed dereliction of duty while preparing the question paper for which he was kept out of all examination duties for two years and was fined Rs. 20,000.

Continuing, Zakir said that when Prof. Praveen became the Registrar (Evaluation) at KSOU, a FIR was registered against him when a question paper was leaked, but still no action was initiated against him.

Alleging that on Mar. 16, 2024, KSOU re-appointed the person facing dereliction of duty charges as the Registrar, he said that already, Devaraj Urs Pratishapana Samiti had fought against previous Registrar Prof. K.L.M. Murthy, who had made more than 400 unnecessary appointments and brought it to the attention of the Chief Minister, Governor and Higher Education Minister and Prof. Murthy, following which he was transferred.

Now Prof. K.B. Praveen has been appointed as the KSOU Registrar, who is again continuing his previous trend by recruiting more than 45 people (as of current date) as teaching and non-teaching staff to Regional Centres. Is this required? Zakir questioned. This kind of unnecessary recruitment will close down the KSOU which should be prevented and KSOU should be saved from such corruption, he added.

Zakir urged the CM, Education Minister and Governor, who is the Chancellor to immediately intervene, conduct a thorough probe, punish the guilty and bring KSOU which is going on the wrong path to the right path and provide good education to the students.

Their demands included takeover of corpus funds in KSOU by the Government; appointment of IAS or KAS Officers as Registrars; construction of unnecessary buildings be stopped and utilise unused buildings at Manasagangothri and Maharani's College among others.

Samithi Convenor Radiulla Khan, Dairy Venkatesh, Prashanth Arya, Anisha Rao, Mohan Kumar, Sadanand, Darshan and others were present.

Woman dies by suicide

Susheela

Hunsur, Dec. 1- Unable to bear the alleged harassment of the representatives of a micro-finance firm, a woman committed suicide by consuming pesticide at Kirijaji village in Hunsur taluk in the district on Thursday.

Susheela (48), wife of Sanna Kalaiah is the deceased woman.

It is said that, Susheela had availed Rs. 40,000 from Fortune Micro Finance and was paying her instalments on time. However, she had failed to pay this month's instalment, but had assured to make the payment on Nov. 29.

The representatives of the finance firm identified as Umesh and four others, who had come to collect the instalment from Susheela, insisted to make the payment immediately, denying any more time to clear the due amount. They had also allegedly abused her.

Upset over the ruckus created by the finance firm representatives, Susheela consumed pesticide and fell sick. The neighbours rushed her to a hospital in Hunsur for treatment, from where she was shifted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru. However, she succumbed by the evening, it is said.

Her son Naveen has named Umesh and four others in the complaint lodged at Hunsur Town Police Station.

Obituary

Aiyappa M. Kodandera

Mysuru, Dec. 1 - Aiyappa M. Kodandera (95), a resident of Tapovan Solace, passed away this morning in city.

He leaves behind his wife Neelamma Puchimada, sons Lokesh Medappa and Umesh Changappa and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Gokula Estate in Gonikoppal today, according to family sources.

Shubhangini J. Kurthukoti

Shubhangini J. Kurthukoti (74), wife of wife of late Dr. J.G. Kurthukoti and a resident of Hebbal 2nd stage, passed away following brief illness in the early hours of yesterday in city.

She is survived by one son, one daughter, grand-children and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday afternoon.

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Sookshmadarshini (Ma)	(S-1)	9.55 pm
Luck (K)	(S-2)	10.50 am
Amaran (Ta)	(S-2)	1.10 pm
Maryade Prashne (K)	(S-2)	4.35 pm
Jalandhara (K)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
Naa Ninna Bidalare (K)	(S-2)	9.50 pm
Sorgavaasal (Ta)	(S-3)	10.35 am, 4.25 pm
Megha (K)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
The Sabarmati Report (H)	(S-3)	7.15 pm
Lucky Baskhar (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Bairathi Ranagal (K)	(S-4)	10 am, 1.05 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

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Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am; (S-2) 6.45 pm
	(S-3)	1.15 pm, 9.15 pm
Megha (K)	(S-1)	1.05 pm
Pani (K)	(S-1)	3.55 pm
Sorgavaasal (Ta)	(S-1)	6.40 pm; (S-4) 10.45 am
Amaran (Ta)	(S-1)	9.15 pm
Amaran (K)	(S-2)	11.15 am; (S-3) 3.50 pm
	(S-4)	7.30 pm
Moana 2 (E-3D)	(S-2)	2.30 pm, 4.40 pm, 9.20 pm
	(S-3)	7.05 pm
Naa Ninna Bidalare (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 4.20 pm

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Moana 2 (H-2D)	:	10.30 pm
Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	:	10.05 am, 1 pm, 3.55 pm, 6.50, 9.45 pm
Sorgavaasal (Ta)	:	10.15 am, 6 pm
Sookshmadarshini (Ma)	:	11.30 am, 3.30 pm, 10 pm
Roti Kapda Romance (Te)	:	11.45 am
Amaran (Ta)	:	12 noon, 6.30 pm
Aaram Arvindswamy (K)	:	1.15 pm
Gunaa (Ta)	:	2.30 pm
Kal Ho Naa Ho (H)	:	3 pm, 10.15 pm
Naa Ninna Bidalare (K)	:	4.10 pm
Vallyettan (Ma)	:	7 pm
Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3 (H)	:	7.10 pm
Ishq (Te)	:	9 pm

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Amaran (Ta)	:	9.20 am, 2.20 pm, 9.45 pm
Moana 2 (E-3D)	:	9.55 am, 12.20 pm, 2.45 pm, 5.10 pm 7.35 pm, 10 pm
Moana 2 (H-2D)	:	6.30 pm
Kal Ho Naa Ho (H)	:	10.25 am, 5.50 pm
Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	:	10.35 am, 1.30 pm, 4.25 pm, 7.20, 10.15 pm
Jalandhara (K)	:	12.50 pm
Megha (K)	:	3.20 pm
Aaram Arvindswamy (K)	:	9.30 pm

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Moana 2 (H)	:	10.20 am
Sorgavaasal (Ta)	:	12.45 pm
Kal Ho Naa Ho (H)	:	3.35 pm
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Amaran (Ta)	:	10.10 pm

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Sookshmadarshini (Ma)	:	10.20 am, 7.20 pm, 10.20 pm
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Moana 2 (H)	:	7.35 pm
Sorgavaasal (Ta)	:	1.25 pm
Jalandhara (K)	:	1.55 pm
Amaran (Ta)	:	3.45 pm
Megha (K)	:	4.25 pm
Naa Ninna Bidalare (K)	:	10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 1)

- **Kannada Association and Pensioners Association, SBI:** Anniversary celebrations, felicitation to pensioners aged above 70 years, book release (K. Raghu Shetty's 'Puranada Patragalu mattu Vartamanada Chitragalu') and cultural programmes, retd. Tahsildar Dr. V. Ranganath chief guest, SBI retd. DGM K. Raghu Shetty presides, SBI Administrative Office - Human Resources Chief Manager Praveen V. Gorobal distributes prizes, Pensioners Association President S. Anandamurthy will be present, Rotary Auditorium, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm.**
- **Vishwa Manava Vokkaligara Kshemabhivruddhi Sangha:** Pratibha Puraskar presentation and felicitation to senior members, KR MLA T.S. Srivatsa inaugurates, Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda chief guest, Sangha President K.S. Krishna presides, Yoga Mandira, Dr. Puttaraja Gawai Stadium, J.P. Nagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Yukteshanandaji speaks on 'Srimate Saradadevi' in Kannada, Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm to 6.50 pm.**
- **Rotary Club H.D. Kote:** Staging of play 'Gejjalatti' by Rangaantaranga, Mysuru, written by Horeyala Doreswamy, directed by S. Ramu of Rangayana, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Agni mattu Male,' written by Girish Karnad, directed by Saliyana Umesh Narayana, Vanaranga, Rangayana, **6.30 pm.**
- **Natana:** Staging of play 'Srimanmahishura Ratna Simhasana,' directed by Megha Sameer, Natana premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **N.R. Mohalla Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations, Sugama Sangeetha by Vrinda Taranga, Sri Prasanna Mahaganapathi Temple, Shivaji Road, N.R. Mohalla, **6.30 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, (3 Shows) **7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 2)

- **JSS Sangeetha Sabha Trust:** Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji Memorial 29th Music Conference, Suttur Seer and Sabha Hon. President Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, veteran Vainika and renowned musician Prof. R. Visweswaran Conference President, former ISRO Chairman A.S. Kiran Kumar inaugurates, University of Mysore VC Prof. N.K. Lokanath chief guest, Kaynes Technology MD & Sabha President Ramesh Kannan presides; Conferring of 'Sangeetha Seva Nidhi' title on noted music patron P. Nityananda Rao, **5.30 pm;** Venna recital by R. Visweswaran, accompanied by K.V. Prasad on mridanga and G.S. Ramanujan on ghata, Navajyothi Auditorium, JSS College for Women premises, Saraswathipuram, **7 pm.**
- **Dastkaar Haat:** Indian Handloom and Handicraft Exhibition, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind Old DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit and Kadali Mahila Vedike, Mysuru:** Interaction on 'Women & Law,' Suttur Seer graces the occasion, retired Chief Justice of the Kerala High Court Justice S.R. Bannurmath inaugurates, retd. Judge of Karnataka HC Justice Rathnakala chief guest, Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat - Bengaluru President Dr. C. Somashekar presides, Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat - Mysuru City Unit President M.G. Sadanandaiah and Kadali Mahila Vedike - Mysuru President Sharada Shivalingaiah will be present, Silver Jubilee Hall, JSS Law College, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 am.**
- **Law Guide Balaga:** Releasing of Law Guide 2025 Diary by MLA A. Manju, Calendar by journalist Krishna Prasad, Dy. Chairman of Legislative Council Marithibbegowda & Mysore Bar Association President S. Lokesh chief guests, State Election Commissioner G.S. Sangreshi presides, Hotel Metropole, JLB Road, **10.30 am.**
- **Elder Citizens Council, Jayalakshmipuram:** Retd. DDPI Swamy, delivers lecture on how education helps one lead a healthy life, Council President Dr. H.M. Nagaraju presides, Council premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm.**
- **Sanchalana Mysuru:** Inauguration of Women's Theatre Fest, Rangayana Director Satish Tiptur inaugurates 'Chin Up' (a painting expo based on women), **6 pm;** Staging of mono acting 'Main Tennu Phir Milangi' by Shantala, Chamarajanagar, directed by Nataraj Honnavalli, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**

Cosmetic Science Convergence 2024 in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 1- The inaugural event of Cosmetic Science Convergence 2024, a Conference on 'Building Multidisciplinary Networks to Drive Science & Technology in Cosmetics,' has been organised by JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER) - Division of Cosmetic Science, School of Life Sciences, Mysuru, at Sri Rajendra Auditorium, JSS College of Pharmacy, tomorrow (Dec. 2) at 10 am.

N. Ravi Shankar, CEO, Aim High Consulting, Investor, Author and Mentor, will be the chief guest. Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa, Vice-Chancellor, JSS AHER, Anirudh Ranga, CEO, NESSO (Natural and Essential Oils), a unit of NR Group, Mysuru and Sudheer Shankar, Head, Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM), Mysuru Cluster, will be the guests of honour.

Dr. B. Suresh, Pro-Chancellor, JSS AHER, will preside.

ATAL FDP on 'Cyber Security & Intellectual Property Rights'

Mysuru, Dec. 1- Inauguration of two-week AICTE-sponsored Advanced AICTE Training And Learning (ATAL) Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on 'An Insight into Cyber Security and Intellectual Property Rights' has been organised at IS Seminar Hall, Golden Jubilee Bhavan, JSS Science & Technology University (JSS STU), at 10 am tomorrow, under the aegis of JSS STU - Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE).

M. Ram Jawahar, Deputy Controller of Patent and Designs, Indian Patent Office, Chennai, will be the chief guest. Dr. B. Suresh, Director, Technical Education, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Mysuru, will be the guest of honour. Dr. A.N. Santosh Kumar, VC, JSS STU, will preside. Dr. C. Nataraju, Principal (in-Charge), SJCE & Dean (E&T), JSS STU, Dr. Bhimasen Soragaon, Principal, JSS ATE, Bengaluru and Dr. S.A. Dhanaraj, Registrar, JSS STU, will be present on the occasion.

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